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For: NEGATIVE ELECTRODE HAVING

INTERMETALLIC COMPOUND THAT OCCLUDES/DESORBS LITHUIM AS AN

ACTIVE MATERIAL LAYER ON COLLECTOR FOR NON-AQUEOUS SECONDARY BATTERY AND NON-

AQUEOUS SECONDARY BATTERY USING

THE SAME

SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In the Submission under 37 C.F.R. 1.114, Applicants amend the claims and respectfully submit remarks in the connection with the above-identified application, as follows:

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.